Persons exempted from personal appearance in Courts.

174. *MR. CHANGANACHERY K. PARAMESVARAN PILLAI (*Kunnattur* cum *Pattanapuram*) : (*a*) Will the Government be pleased to lay on the table a list of persons exempted from personal appearance in Court under Section 98 of the Civil Procedure Code ?

(*b*) Will the Government be pleased to state the principle on which such exemptions are based ?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*) : (*a*) Government do not propose to furnish the information as the time and labour involved in its preparation are out of all proportion to its possible utility.

(*b*) The Member is referred to Sub-Section (1) of Section 98 of the Civil Procedure Code, Regulation VIII of 1100.

MR. CHANGANACHERY K. PARAMESVARAN PILLAI (*Kunnattur* cum *Pattanapuram*) : Am I to understand from the member that the exemptions have been given to such a large number of people that it is difficult to prepare the list ?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*) : The number, I believe, is fairly large and the time and labour involved in looking up the old files and collecting the information, as has been answered, are out of all proportion to its possible utility.

MR. PACODE A. NARAYANA PILLAI (*Vilavankod*) : May I know whether each Court does not keep such a list ?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*) : Yes; each Court does.

MR. PACODE A NARAYANA PILLAI (*Vilavankod*) : Then, is it so very difficult to collect the list from all the courts ?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*) : I have already answered that the time and labour involved in its preparation are out of all proportion to its possible utility.

MR. A. EASWARA PILLAI (*Kottarakara*) : May I know whether persons once exempted are always exempted ?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*) : Yes.

MR. A. THANU PILLAI (*Trivandrum-Rural*) : Am I to understand that there is no list kept with the executive authority ?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*) : There are files relating to each individual member; and to collect the information about all gentlemen to whom the exemption has been granted, one has to look up old records and hunt up the files for a number of years, and, as I said, the time and labour involved are out of all proportion to its possible utility.

MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara*) : May I know whether it is the opinion of the member that the time and labour involved in such preparations are out of all proportion to the utility?

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RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): It is the opinion of the Government.

Beggars in the Trivandrum Town.

175. ***MR. CHANGANACHERY K. PARAMESVARAN PILLAI** (*Kunnattur cum Pattanapuram*): (*a*) Will the Government be pleased to state the number of destitute beggars in the Trivandrum town?

(*b*) Will they be pleased to state where these beggars cook their food and sleep at night?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): (*a*) 51.

(*b*) In the following places:—

(1) Sheds at Chengalchoolai;
(2) Stables near Government Press;
(3) Chakkay and Vallakadavu landing places and at Shangumukhom and Valiathurai;
(4) Poojapurai Mandapom;
(5) Satrom at Puthentheruvu; and
(6) In other places where they find convenience.

MR. CHANGANACHERY K. PARAMESVARAN PILLAI (*Kunnattur cum Pattanapuram*): With reference to answer to part (*b*), will the member be pleased to say whether the places mentioned are reserved for destitute beggars?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): They are not reserved for the destitute beggars, but they do find shelter in those places.

MR. A. THANU PILLAI (*Trivandrum—Rural*): May I know from the member the basis of the figure 51?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): From the census of 1931.

MR. PACODE A. NARAYANA PILLAI (*Vilavankod*): With reference to the answer to part (*b*), are Government aware that these beggars are loitering about the town and creating a lot of trouble and will Government take steps to avoid such nuisance?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): I may mention, Sir, that there is a proposal to open a home for the destitute and the infirm. As the members are aware, His Highness the Maha Raja has promised a donation of Rs 50,000 from his privy purse, at the time of the investiture of His Highness with ruling powers for starting a home for the destitute and the infirm and Government are taking steps to give effect to the proposal. When the home is started, all these beggars can find accommodation there.

MR. K. KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI (*Quilon I*): May I know from the member whether Government are going to open a home for the 51 beggars?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): These 51 beggars are in the town and others come in from outside.

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